

# A Healthy Border with Mexico = More Jobs in Illinois

## Job Creation and Growth

### *In the United States...*

- Trade with Mexico supports **6 million** U.S. jobs, or **1 in every 24** workers in the nation depends on U.S.-Mexico trade for their employment.
- Mexico is the **second** largest destination for U.S. exports and **third** largest source of imports.
- A **full 40%** of U.S. imports from Mexico are made of content produced in the United States.

### *In Illinois, specifically...*



- Illinois' exports to Mexico have **grown at an annual average rate of 9.3%** over the past two decades.
- Since 1993, Illinois' exports to Mexico have **increased by 438.9%**, while those to the rest of the world rose 258.8%. This means that the export growth rate to Mexico is **1.7 times higher** than its export growth rate for the rest of the world.
- Among all countries, Mexico is ranked as the **2nd largest market for goods** from Illinois in 2012. Mexico is accounted for 9.4% of Illinois' exports worldwide in 2012.

*Ensuring adequate resources and infrastructure  
at our ports of entry means more jobs for Americans*